### **United States Department of the Interior National Park Service**

# National Register of Historic Places Inventory—Nomination Form

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Describe the present and original (if known) physical appearance

7. Description

Centrally located on a city block between Walnut and Washington Streets, the three-story Bon Homme County Courthouse in Tyndall exemplifies Beaux-Arts Classicism. Access into the building is via ground level (raised basement). A flat roof with brick chimney and central dome tops this large rectangular granite building. The main entranceway is distinguished by its parapet and recessed portico with Corinthian columns. The main doorway is crowned with moldings. Surrounding the unadorned entablature are dentils and modilion blocks beneath the cornice. Fenestration includes rectangular windows on all four facades one on each level, and doors on the north and south sides. There is also a small, one-story concrete block addition to the rear.

The impressive interior displays a circular stairwell covered by a stained glass dome. The floors and stairs are marble, and the walls are embellished with pilasters and dentils. Many of the lighting fixtures are brass. In addition, there are several murals that adorn the walls. A.E. Soderberg of Oyen Studios painted these murals.

#### 8. Significance

Period prehistoric 1400–1499 1500–1599 1600–1699 1700–1799 1800–1899 1900–	Areas of Significance—C archeology-prehistoric agriculture X architecture art commerce communications	community planni conservation economics education engineering exploration/settler industry invention	ng landscape architecture law literature military music	religion science sculpture social/ humanitarian theater transportation other (specify)
Specific dates	1914	Builder/Architect	A.M. Wold Company, gene	ral contractors

Statement of Significance (in one paragraph)

A.E. Soderberg, interior decoration (mural:

The Bon Homme County Courthouse is significant in the areas of both architecture and government.

Designed by A. Schwartz, architect, and built in 1914 by A.M. Wold Co., general contractors, the courthouse is one of the finest examples of Beaux Arts Classicism in the state. This large rectangular building, distinguished by its recessed portico with Corinthian columns, has retained most of its original features. The interior is especially impressive: a circular stairwell covered with a stained glass dome dominates the space. Brass lighting fixtures, and marble floors and stairs also adorn the interior. There are several oil on canvas murals painted by A.E. Soderberg of Oyen Studios, LaCrosse, Wisconsin. Oyen Studios was also responsible for the interior decoration and murals of the Yankton (1905), Brown (1904), Deuel (1917), Moody (1914), Brookings (1912), and Lawrence (1905) County Courthouses and the Citizen's Bank (date?) of Aberdeen. Most of the designs in the Oyen Collection are by Soderberg, a Native Swede who did the ceiling decoration for the Swedish kings' summer palace in Uppsala before immigrating to this country.1

The county of Bon Homme was established in 1862. In 1885, Tyndall was chosen to be the county seat and a new courthouse was constructed. The present Bon Homme County Courthouse replaced the first building in 1914. For over seventy years the courthouse has played an important role as the center of county government.

A Catalog of the Oyen Collection from the University of Wisconsin, LaCrosse.

Joan M. Rausch with Dr. Leslie Crocker, Board of Regents, University of Wisconsin System, 1979, p. 52, 55.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> <u>Dakota Territorial Heritage</u>, Bon Homme County Book, 1961-1961.

## 9. Major Bibliographical References

See Continuation Sheet

10. Geographica	al Data			
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street & number University of	South Dakota		telephor	605/677-5401 (Stewart) 0e 605/677-5218 (Wolff)
city or town Vermillion			state	South Dakota
12. State Histor	ic Pres	ervation	Off	icer Certification
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